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LOK SABHA

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LPG CYLINDERS TO BPL FAMILIES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has a proposal to provide Liquefied Natural Gas (LPG) cylinder to Below Poverty Line (BPL) families in whole State of Gujarat including Jamnagar district ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c) : New LPG connections are released for genuine domestic customers, including Below Poverty Line (BPL) families in the State of Gujarat, including Jamnagar district.

As on 01.12.2008, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have provided 55.25 lakh LPG connection in the State of Gujarat. OMCs have reported that they have released 1.52 lakh LPG connections during the period April to November, 2008 in the State of Gujarat.

OMCs have further reported that Government of Gujarat has introduced the Vanbandhu Scheme for releasing domestic LPG connections to tribal people. As on 31.10.2008, OMCs have released a total of 1046 LPG connections in the State of Gujarat under this Scheme.